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Kazanlık Airfields(26-27 August 1954)

1. A second airfield is located at Kazanlık approximately 2-3 kilometers south-southeast of Kazanlık, as indicated in the sketch included as an Appendix on page 2. It is located approximately two kilometers south of the Kazanlık-Tulovo (N 42-35, E 25-34) railway line. This field is rectangular in shape, approximately 500 x 1,000 meters in size, and is bordered to the north by trees.
2. Approximately 12 YAK-9s were observed landing and taking off singly. This field appears to be used also by DOSO (Dobrovolna Organizatsiya za Sudeystvie na Otbranata; Voluntary Organization for Defense Assistance). On 26 August at 6:00 p.m., four parachutists were dropped over this field. 25X1
3. On 27 August at 7:00 a.m., a biplane was observed taking off. It was towing a glider.

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5. In front of the workshops of the former "Caproni" Factory, approximately two kilometers north-northwest of Kazanlık, a propeller-driven YAK aircraft was observed. No other aircraft were observed at this field which is square in shape, approximately 1,500 meters per side, and has a natural surface.

Marino Pole Airfield (26-27 August 1954)

6. The Marino Pole/Karlovo (now Levskigrad) airfield has no concrete runway and includes a large number of unidentified buildings on the north side and a workshop on the south side. The field is estimated to be approximately 1,500 x 2,000 meters in size.
7. On 26-27 August 1954, about 12 piston-engine aircraft were observed at this field: six in front of the buildings to the north of the field (one a small twin-engine plane), and six in front of the buildings on the south side (lined up in two rows facing each other).

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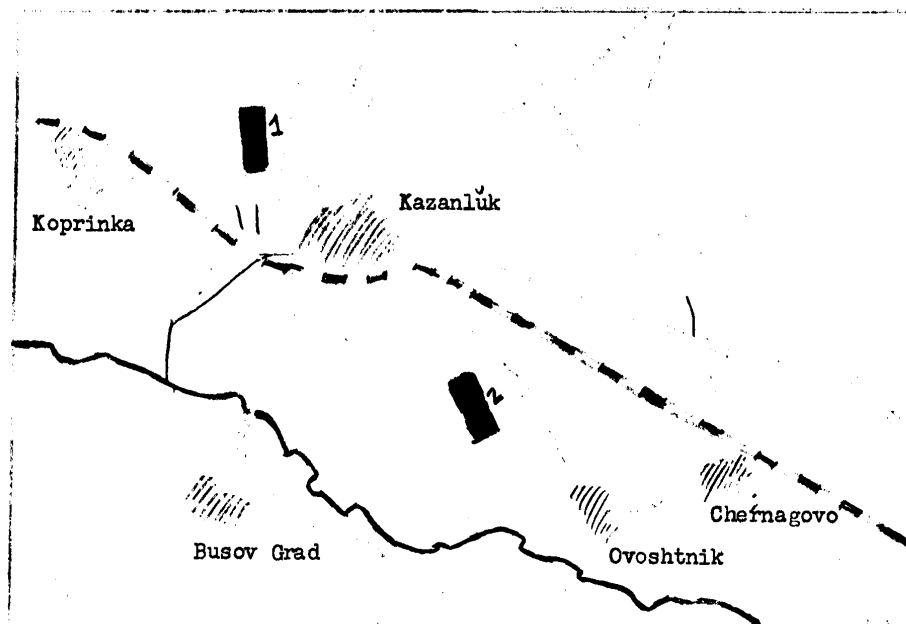
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Sokolov Airfield (August 1954)

8. An airfield is located south of Sokolovo (N 43-28, E 28-06), eight kilometers north-northwest of Balchik. In early August 1954, the following aircraft were observed at this airfield:
- Six twin-engine bombers;
 - Two small jet aircraft; and
 - Five YAK-3s or YAK-7s.

APPENDIXLocation of Airfield in the Kazanluk AreaLegend

- Old airfield
- New airfield



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